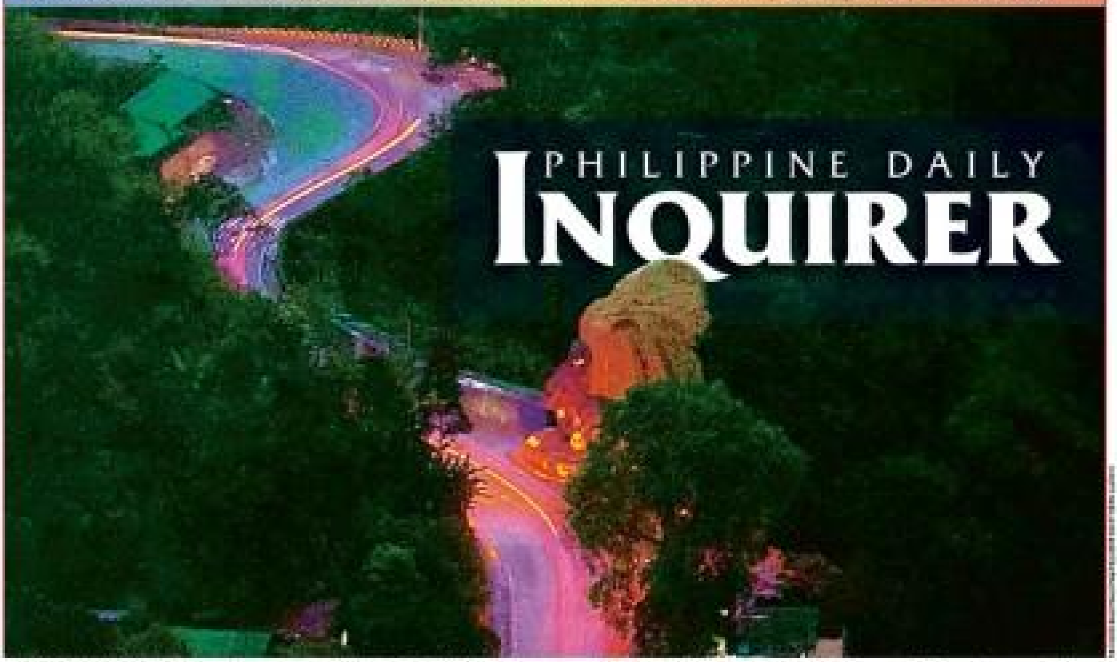
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ZIGZAG TO SUMMER COOL A trip through the scenic, century-old Kennon Road past Lion's Head is always a memorable experience for those going up to Baguio City. Government is finalizing plans to strengthen the route, which has been restricted to light vehicles after the earthquake that hit Luzon in 1990. The Bases Conversion Development Authority plans to increase the Kennon toll after it takes over and will it to the private sector.

'CJ fortune worth ₱80M'

Aquino supports sin tax reform bill

By Norman Bordadora

PRESIDENT Aquino supports the sin tax reform measures pending in Congress, despite being a known smoker.

"Being a smoker is irrelevant. The President supports the sin tax measures," said deputy presidential spokesperson Abigail Valte.

According to Valte, she heard Cavite Rep. Joseph Emilio Abaya tell a radio interview yesterday that despite being a smoker Mr. Aquino was "completely behind the measure."

Abaya, the chair of the House committee on appropriations, is the author of House Bill No. 5727, one of 12 pending measures in Congress seeking to restructure the excise tax on alcohol and tobacco products.

AQUINO A6

US government launches new $54-M drive to shock smokers/ A6



E-BUS Executive Secretary Paquito Ochoa takes an electric-powered bus for a spin during its launch in Malacañang on Friday. The government has launched a project to assemble and field electric-powered buses in an effort to cut down on pollution and promote alternative energy in the midst of escalating oil prices, officials said.

Prosecution based it on acquisition costs; a ploy, says defense

By Gil Cabacungan and TJ Burgonio

CLAIMING he undervalued his assets, prosecutors yesterday said impeached Chief Justice Renato Corona should have declared a personal fortune of as much as ₱80 million—more than four times what he put down in his most recent statement of assets, liabilities and net worth (SALN).

"We believe that his net worth should have been ₱70 million and ₱80 million based on our computation of all of his assets and bank deposits that were presented in the trial. He only declared a net worth of ₱22 million in his SALN in 2010," Quezon Rep. Lorenzo Tañada III said at a press conference.

Defense counsel Tranquil Salvador III rejected the prosecution claim.

"That is their own computation. We don't know where they got the values or how they got

CHIEF A11

Corona directly negotiated sale of Basa-Guidote property

By Marites Dañguilan Vitug
www.rappler.com

IN SEPTEMBER 2001, when Renato Corona's nomination to the Supreme Court was opposed by his in-laws, led by Jose Ma. Basa III, he said: "From the very beginning, I have purposely stayed away from the financial and material affairs of my in-laws."

He claimed that he did not know the roots of this dispute over inheritance between Cristina, his wife and Jose Basa's niece, and the rest of her uncles and aunts.

But earlier in the same year, when he was chief of staff of President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, he negotiated the sale of a property that belonged to his wife's family.

The 1,020-square-meter lot on Legarda Street in Sampaloc, Manila, which consisted of a dilapidated building that was rented out to a few tenants, was the crown jewel of the family corporation of the Basa-Guidotes. In fact, it was its sole property.

Lito Atienza was mayor of Manila when the city bought the property. It was going to be used as relocation site for the Sampaloc market stallholders who would be displaced by the construction of an MRT line.

Manila City Hall passed an ordinance expropriating various adjacent properties, including that of the Basa-Guidotes.

CORONA A14



More young Filipinos smoking, says report

By Kristine L. Alave

IT IS not just "say-saying" that young Filipinos are adopting from President Aquino's known habit.

More and more of the country's youth are lighting up, with 2 out of every 5 Filipino teenagers taking up smoking in 2011, according to the National Youth Commission (NYC).

Using data from a Global Youth Tobacco Survey conducted in 2003 and 2007, the NYC has

MORE A6

'Noah' faces challenge 'of biblical proportions'

By Tarra Quismundo

IT'S A PUBLIC-PRIVATE partnership to address a challenge "of biblical proportions."

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST) has partnered with telecommunications firms Smart Communications Inc. and Sun Cellular, both PLDT mobile phone subsidiaries, to boost its multibillion-peso Project Noah, a two-year flood forecasting and warning system.

'NOAH' A13

Luis Gonzales, best known for Marcos biopic, dies at 81

By Bayani San Diego Jr.

THE ACTOR, best remembered for portraying the late President Ferdinand Marcos in two biopics released in the 1960s, passed away on Thursday night due to complications arising from pneumonia. He was 81.

Luis Gonzales, Luis Mercado in real life, acted in more than 100 movies, most of which were under Sampaguita Pictures and romanced with his favorite leading lady, Gloria Romero, in the 1950s.

He played Marcos in the political propaganda movie "Iginuhit ng Tadhana" in 1965 and in the drama film "Pinagbuklod ng

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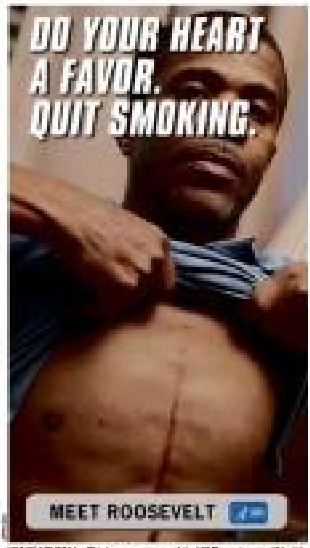
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Rafael 'Papi' Diokno; 52

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Across the NATION

More troops sent to Samar 'hot spots'

By Joey Gabieta
Inquirer Visayas

TACLOBAN CITY—The military in Eastern Visayas are on full alert as they expect the New People's Army (NPA) rebels to launch offensives to celebrate their founding anniversary on March 29.

UPLB students rally behind elected chair



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4 Sayyaf members, soldier dead in Basilan

Plan to turn fishponds into mangrove areas hit

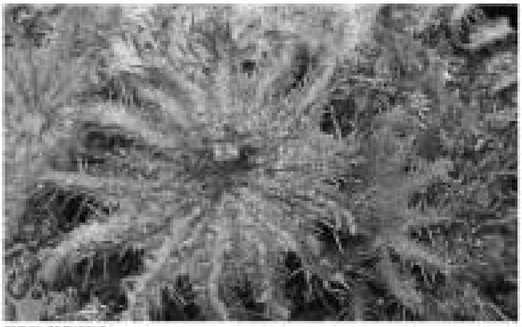
Rough ride for helmet law in Dumaguete

HOMETOWN Snapshot



Editor: Jun Bandayrel
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CROWN-OF-THORNS

Starfish attack corals in Southern Leyte

By Jani Arnaiz
Maasin City

FISHERMAN Felix Baculpo can only scratch his head in frustration.

He and fishing partner Paul Baladsc had been at sea for a long time but they hardly caught any fish.

Others are also complaining of dwindling fish catch, and they cite as reason an outbreak of crown-of-thorns, a giant starfish that feeds on corals, in Maasin City and in almost 18 towns in Southern Leyte.

Only three of the 19 coastal villages in Maasin were not affected, agricultural technician Precy Torres said. She said her office had yet to determine the extent of the damage caused by the crown-of-thorns on the corals.

Among the affected villages, only Mantahan had initiated a campaign to extract the starfish. So far, barangay officials and residents had removed more than 10,000 crown-of-thorns in four days starting on March 5.

Torres said the outbreak was not related to the dwindling fish catch, though the starfish would attack the corals to their eventual death.

But Baculpo said he noticed that fish started to become scarce in February when the crown-of-thorns appeared.

Fish scarcity

The fisherman pointed out that he used to bring home more than 2 kilograms of fish after laying out a [illegible] in the sea bottom for as low as six, about 200 meters from the shoreline. In February, he caught less than a kilo of fish, [illegible] starfish.

A week later, he and Baladsc caught not a single fish but 18 starfish.

The crown-of-thorns, which got its name from the thorn-like spines, can grow to over a foot across and has 10 to 21 arms. It is known for its voracious appetite of live hard corals. According to [illegible], the thorny sea starfish has been blamed for killing large portions of the reefs in parts of the Pacific Ocean, including a sizeable portion of the Great Barrier Reef of Australia during the 1960s.

The structure built by corals over thousands of years provides complex refuges in which animals can hide from predators. When corals die, the abundance of reef fish quickly decreases, mainly due to the lack of places for larval fish to settle as they leave the open water and settle on the reef where they will spend their adult lives, according to The Encyclopedia of Earth website (www.eoearth.org/article/Coral_reefs_and_climate_change).

Coral destruction

Southern Leyte environment officer Armand Cardeña said the crown-of-thorns had so far affected around 70 percent of the 4-hectare coral area off Barangay Mantahan.

Just like the fishermen in Maasin, their counterparts in Padre Burgos town, 25 kilometers away, have experienced low fish catch.

"All 11 coastal barangays have been attacked [by the crown-of-thorns] causing around 85 percent damage to the town's coral reefs," Padre Burgos municipal agriculturist Jabez Crisostomo said.

The proliferation of the marine predators does not only affect the town's fishing industry but also the tourism industry.

Padre Burgos, known for its dive sites, has at least 10 dive resorts operated by foreigners, mostly Europeans. Mayor Alando Bueno said the town was earning more than P300,000 in fees and taxes from the resorts.

"It's so many already that they have gone near the shoreline to get their food," Crisostomo said.

She pointed out that more than 20,000 crown-of-thorns had been extracted off coastal barangays of Padre Burgos.

Volunteers needed

She, however, observed difficulty in getting more volunteers to dive and extract the starfish. Many of the town's fishermen have gone to other coastal municipalities to fish there.

"There are so many [crowns-of-thorns] to be extracted and if we don't move now, our dive sites will be gone. It's good that dive site resort owners have joined us in the extraction," Crisostomo said.

A Coral Cay Marine Expedition volunteer scientist said the starfish was preying "on hard corals and multiplies fast. [illegible] can lay eggs, it can have up to one million eggs."

"Although only about 5 percent would survive, it's already a huge number," said Jen Wilkinson, Coral Cay scientist who has a doctorate in marine chemistry.

Wilkinson said the crown-of-thorns proliferated because its natural prey such as the [illegible] starfish, had disappeared due to overharvesting.

The crown-of-thorns could be extracted using a stick, he explained.

Special gun

But Wilkinson said a special gun could be used to kill the starfish. "You put sodium bisulfate into the syringe attached in the gun then shoot them. [illegible] there's no problem with the chemical because it would not harm the fish or the corals," he added.

The scientist said the starfish should be handled carefully since the long, sharp spines are venomous and could inflict real painful wounds that are slow to heal.

Pen Abad, a marine specialist of the provincial environment and natural resources management office, said the provincial government needed around 30 guns to kill the starfish.

She said her office had already requested funds to purchase 30 guns, which cost more than P7,000 each, including paraphernalia and handling. Total cost would reach P210,000, excluding the chemicals to be used, she said.

The provincial board has set aside P300,000 to buy the equipment. In the meantime, the fishermen are securing other seas while crowns of thorns eat on the corals of Southern Leyte.

Vehicle trading firm sued for animal cruelty







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Juan L. Mercado

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SC asked: Protect nature, stop Manila Bay project

Ex-Las Piñas solon warns of floods, loss of bird haven

By Miko Morelos

CAN GLEAMING malls and condos rise side by side with mangrove forests?

Former Las Piñas Rep. Cynthia Villar yesterday asked the Supreme Court to stop a [illegible]-ha reclamation project in Manila Bay which she said may impede the natural water flow in her city, destroy a natural habitat for migratory birds, and cause flooding in dozens of barangays.

Villar, who together with husband Sen. Manny Villar also runs a real estate development empire, is against the Three Island Reclamation and Development Project, which seeks to develop an upscale residential, commercial and tourism estate.

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"We've seen what happened to the places that were devastated by Typhoons 'Ondoy' and 'Pedring,'" Villar said in a press conference.

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"They cannot just come barging into our city and undo what we achieved," Villar said. "Will they take care of us if we get flooded?"

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3-month discount on Skyway's Naia 3 junction starts March 19

By Paolo G. Montecillo

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By Niña Calleja

Please prove your critics wrong

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By Nancy C. Carvajal

Mandaluyong vendors thank PDI, Abalos

By Norah Trinidad



Double blow for Nato: Taliban talks off; Karzai wants pullout



FREED AFTER EIGHT MONTHS Swiss couple Olivier David Och (right) and Daniela Widmer photographed following their abduction. The Pakistani Taliban have released the two hostages kidnapped more than eight months ago while traveling through the country's volatile southwest, the Army said on March 15.

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Syrian forces press offensive in Idlib; 45 killed

In blow to Iran, global network expels central bank

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The WORLD

US soldier in Afghan massacre 'snapped'

WASHINGTON—The US staff sergeant suspected of killing 16 Afghan villagers had been drinking alcohol—a violation of military rules in combat zones—and suffering from the stress related to his fourth combat tour and tensions with his wife about the deployments on the night of the massacre, a senior US official said on Thursday.

"When it all comes out, it will be a combination of stress, alcohol and domestic issues—he just 'snapped,'" said the official, who has been briefed on the investigation and who spoke on the condition of anonymity because the soldier has not yet been charged.

New York Times News Service



75 charged in deaths at soccer riot in Egypt

CAIRO—Egypt's general prosecutor charged 75 people on Thursday in connection with a deadly soccer melee in Port Said last month, including the city's top police official.

New York Times News Service



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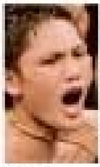
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Percy D. Della



Sonsona begins trek to redemption, faces 'El Flaco'



SONSONA

By Marc Anthony Reyes

"MARVELOUS" MARVIN Sonsona resumes his steps to glory when he battles Dominican Republic's Carlos "El Flaco" Fulgencio, while Froilan "The Sniper" Saludar clashes with Mexican Alejandro Morales today in the Pinoy Knockout 1 double main event at Hoops Dome in Lapu-Lapu City.

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SLO-PITCH RUNNER-UP [illegible]

NCA derby draws top guns

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SPORTS

Howard stays with Magic

DWIGHT Howard agreed to stay in Orlando, but plenty of other big men were on the move Thursday before the NBA's trade deadline.

Nene, JaVale McGee and Marcus Camby were among the centers who found new homes.

Denver dealt Nene to Washington, just three months after re-signing the Brazilian to a five-year, $67 million contract. The Wizards sent McGee and Ronny Turiaf to Denver and Nick Young to the Los Angeles Clippers, trading away one of their talented young but erratic players. Washington also picked up forward Brian Cook in the deal.

The New Jersey Nets had long been a favorite to land Howard, who told the Magic before the season he wanted to be traded and listed the Nets as one of his choices. He was eligible for free agency this summer, and Orlando risked losing him for nothing.

Instead, he agreed to waive the early termination option in his contract, committing to stay with the Magic through the 2012-13 season.

"Now we can get back to playing basketball and having some peace and trying to win a championship," Howard said. "I feel like we have a chance to win and I didn't feel like either one of us should give that up."

Big names such as the Lakers' Pau Gasol and the Celtics' Rajon Rondo—along with the rest of Boston's top players—stayed put after all had been linked to rumors.

Gasol got a new teammate to feed him the ball, however.

The Lakers got younger at point guard, acquiring Ramon Sessions from Cleveland and sending veteran Derek Fisher to Houston.

Swingmen Stephen Jackson and Richard Jefferson were also swapped in a Spurs-Warriors deal, and the Nets picked up Gerald Wallace from Portland.

Meanwhile, in New Orleans, John Wall had 26 points and 12 assists to lead the Washington Wizards to a 99-89 victory over the New Orleans Hornets. AP



DALLAS Mavericks swingman Vince Carter (right) shoots over Charlotte Bobcats guard Kemba Walker. AP



BUSINESS

Bourse sees ₱197B in fund-raising deals

IPOs, follow-on offerings, private placements

By Doris C. Dumlao

THE PHILIPPINE Stock Exchange expects ₱197 billion in capital-raising activities in its bourse this year, a new record high, as companies ride on the bullish market to pursue initial public offering (IPO), follow-on offering and private placement exercises.

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PAL sees recovery in passenger traffic this year

By Paolo G. Montecillo

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Filinvest Land posted net profit of P2.94B in 2011

Real estate sales jumped 23% to P6.95B

SMC unit's deal with power co-op gets ERC nod

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PAL sees recovery

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would be a growth of about 10 percent from its expected passenger count for the current fiscal year that ends this month.

Bautista said the company would work on improving its average load factor, or the measure of the number of passengers on each flight relative to the number of available seats, which has dropped to unprofitable levels over the last year.

"We are hovering around the low 70s range. We want to be at around 78 to 79 percent at least," Bautista said.

He said the company also expected to take delivery of six new planes this year. Four of these would be Airbus A320 jets to add to the company's current fleet of 13. The two others would be long-haul Boeing 777-300 aircraft. This would bring PAL's fleet of Boeing 777s to a total of four.

SUN CELLULAR WIDENS REACH IN LUZON

Following the initial wave of its network expansion in Mindanao, Sun Cellular strengthened its signal reach in Luzon.

"This is all part of our network enhancement program to be able to meet the demand of our customers from all parts of the country," says Charles Lim, Chief Operating Officer of Sun Cellular. "From Kalinga Apayao up in North Luzon all the way down to Tawi-tawi in Mindanao, to our kababayans can now experience the power of Unlimited as only Sun Cellular can provide, and more," Lim added.

Covered by this phase of the expansion program are parts of Benguet, Ifugao, Isabela, Kalinga Apayao, Mountain Province, Nueva Ecija, Nueva Vizcaya, Aurora and Quirino. Lim says these developments are made possible with the support of the PLDT infrastructure. "This is one of the advantages we got now that we are a member of the PLDT Group. Making use of synergies within our group plus enhancements to our own network helps us expand our signal faster."

Earlier, Sun Cellular also widened its reach in Mindanao in areas such as Lanao del Norte and Lanao del Sur, Basilan, Camiguin, Zamboanga, Tawi-Tawi, Dinagat Island, Compostela Valley, Sulu, parts of Bukidnon, Cagayan de Oro and Davao del Sur among others.

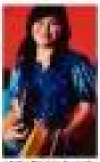
Among Sun Cellular's new products available in these areas are the Power Text Unlimited 300 that comes with unlimited Sun texts, 4 hours of Sun calls and 300 texts to other networks and the Text Unlimited 150 that features 30 days of unlimited texting to fellow Sun subscribers. It also introduced a new postpaid plan, the Plan 250 which includes unlimited Sun-to-Sun texts, four hours of Sun-to-Sun calls, 500 texts to other networks plus a free phone.

Of particular interest to residents of the new expanded areas in Luzon is Sun Cellular's most affordable international services offerings which allows those with loved ones abroad to call them for as low as Php1.50 per minute to selected countries or send text messages for only Php1.00 thru Call & Text International 288 to such destinations as the mainland USA, Canada, Singapore, Hongkong, United Arab Emirates, Malaysia, Macau, Japan, Qatar, Brunei, Guam, Hawaii, Oman, Cayman Islands, Cyprus, Turkey, Northern Mariana Islands, Jamaica, Bahamas, and Puerto Rico.

This network expansion in Luzon is said to be an important installment to Sun Cellular's nationwide network expansion for 2012. "Sun Cellular will continue to enhance its network and give the public more new and exciting best value products and services. We strive to be a true partner in communications for every Filipino wherever they may be," Lim concludes.

Sun Cellular is a member of the PLDT Group.

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Guidelines make it easier for people to take foreign currencies out of PH

By Michelle V. Remo

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Clark airport passengers up

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Mindanao power threat all too real, says NGCP

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CAB: PH airlines must pay more for passengers who miss flights

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Inflation seen to ease to 3.5% in Q1

By Ronnel W. Domingo



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School makes kids eat their veggies





'Meatless Monday'

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Left brain, right brain

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Solving the puzzle of NAFLD

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Panasonic buys Sanyo PH unit

Mindanao grid set to get boost



PROPERTY

Editor Cesar D. Mangawang



Lucio Tan's Forbes inclusion boosts Eton





ETON Centris township is touted as a "city within a city."

SOUTH Lake Village at Eton City is a perfect showcase of Eppi's innovative thrust in property development.



FORBES' citation on Tan validates Eton Properties' credibility as a developer and reinforces client's confidence in buying from a successful conglomerate.

By Tessa R. Salazar

THERE'S NOTHING like the prestige a billionaire exudes upon the company he keeps; more so if this billionaire has been certified as among the world's richest. When business tycoon Lucio Tan was recently ranked in Forbes Magazine's 314th richest, Eton Properties Philippines Inc. (Eppi), which he chairs, had just celebrated its fifth anniversary. Naturally, Eppi's fifth birthday party was made all the more momentous with the achievement of its chair.

Erwin de Pedro, Eppi spokesperson and vice president for marketing, told Inquirer Property that the Forbes citation "is a testament to Mr. Tan's inspiring success story and strong business acumen. The recognition also validates Eton Properties' credibility as a developer and reinforces clients' confidence in buying from a successful conglomerate."

Tan has diverse business interests, ranging from airline and banking services, property development, liquor and tobacco manufacturing. Eppi is a member of the Lucio Tan Group of Companies, one of the biggest business conglomerates in the Philippines. Its foreign counterparts—Eton Properties Group of China and Eton Properties Limited of Hong Kong—are recognized real estate brands with over 20 years of experience. The local arm of the real estate company continues to expand.

Innovation Nation campaign

On its fifth year, Eppi is launching its Innovation Nation campaign to "highlight the out-of-the-box creative conceptualization, planning and execution that the firm and its host of consultants pour into developing each of Eton's residential and commercial developments."

Eton City in Sta. Rosa, Laguna—its flagship and first township development—goes head to head with Ayala Land's Nuvali in terms of location and market share. Eton City is a full-scale mixed-use township project featuring the country's first residential island lot development.

De Pedro belied talks that construction of Eton City had stopped. "It did not stop construction. Construction and development works in various components of the township project are in full swing," he said.

De Pedro said that in many respects, Eton City is a distinct development. Envisioned to be the "Makati of the South," Eton City occupies 1,000 hectares of meticulously master-planned prime property that is home to the country's only residential island lot development, South Lake Village, inspired by next-generation waterfront cities such as The Palm in Dubai and The Pearl in Qatar.

Unique residential enclaves

Eton City has announced it would offer unique residential enclaves catering to various markets, a world-class business district and vibrant commercial and leisure destinations.

South Lake Village is envisioned to be a high-end community of 18 exclusive islands surrounded by a massive 25-hectare man-made lake, resulting in cooler temperatures all year round. A product of science, technology and modern engineering, these island lots are projected to raise the bar in exclusivity, security and privacy.

Other developments in Eton City include Riverbend, West Wing Residences and the newly launched Townfields.

Eton Centris in Quezon City, on the other hand, is its second township touted as "a city within a city."

In five years, Eppi has launched a total of 43 projects, which include those of its two fully owned subsidiaries—Belton Communities Inc. and First Homes Inc.

Among Eton's residential developments are Makati-situated projects: The Eton Residences Greenbelt, Eton Parkview Greenbelt, Belton Place and Eton Tower Makati. Manila-situated projects include Eton Baypark Manila, One Archers Place and 8 Adriatico. Its other projects are Eton Emerald Lofts in Ortigas, 68 Roces and One Centris Place, both in Quezon City, and Eton City's South Lake Village, Riverbend and West Wing Residences in Sta. Rosa, Laguna.



Pro•Friends continuously improving, transforming lives

By Theresa E. Samaniego

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Public transport services

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Well-planned community

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A short guide to furnishing your rental condo unit

DESIGN DIMENSIONS



Isabel Berenguer Azanchon

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Zinnia Towers DMCI Homes' newest landmark in QC

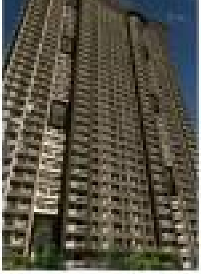
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British Embassy lays 'green' path for sustainable growth



GREEN buildings such as the British Embassy's office reduce the demand for power plants since they consume less energy than other structures.

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First in the world

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Landco turns over TRIbeca's Chelsea Tower 3

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Refreshing summer at Summit . . .

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SUMMIT Ridge is your home away from home for the summer.

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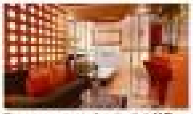
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SMDC's M Place takes its spot in the bright future of Ortigas

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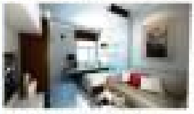
M Place is the ideal home for upwardly mobile young adults who are beginning a successful career in Ortigas.



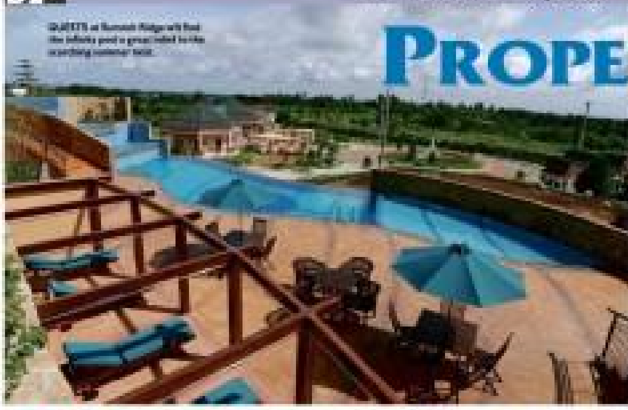
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Moving into the future with M Place

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M Place homes are perfect for active urbanites in the flourishing Ortigas Central Business District.

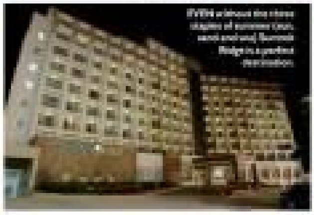


GUESTS at Summit Ridge will find the infinity pool a great relief to the scorching summer heat.

Editor Cesar D. Mangawang

PROPERTY





EVEN without the stone staples of summer (sun, sand and sea) Summit Ridge is a perfect destination.



THE TWO-BEDROOM suite comes with living, dining and kitchen areas.

Refreshing summer at Summit Ridge



By Theresa S. Samaniego

SUMMER GETAWAY

THERE AREN'T any sand to leave one's footprints, no mystique caves to explore and discover, no waves to ride and lull you to sleep.

Yes, Tagaytay continues to enthrall and charm the tired and weary urbanite, and for a good reason: the cool weather in the south remains the easiest and most convenient escape from Manila's sweltering summer days.

So it's not a surprise to see how Tagaytay over the past decade has been transformed from a sleepy, laid-back town to a bustling commercial city offering tourists the charm of provincial life infused with modern conveniences. More establishments, such as hotels, restaurants and malls, have also begun mushrooming in this summer getaway to cater to the steady influx of local and foreign tourists.

One of those developers who found a home in Tagaytay would be Robinsons Land Corp., which opened in 2009 Summit Ridge Hotel and Promenade.

A 108-room first class hotel and convention center, Summit Ridge Hotel and Promenade offers and provides all the vacation essentials and premier amenities that could make one's stay in Tagaytay more memorable and enjoyable.

"The property sits at the coldest and highest point of Tagaytay and can give vacationers the best panoramic view of Taal," noted Cean Ang Ley, general manager of Summit Ridge Hotel and Promenade.

Just an hour and a half drive from Manila via Sta. Rosa, Summit Ridge Hotel is strategically located on Tagaytay's main road and is connected to a promenade that hosts a number of establishments including a supermarket, where one can take a stroll, have a drink or grab a bite, Ang Ley explained.

What makes it stand out

But what makes Summit Ridge stand out from other hotels in the area, according to Ang Ley, are the rooms that offer an excellent, panoramic view of the scenic Taal Lake and Volcano.

"All our rooms provide the luxury of space and come with a balcony that gives each guest the rare pleasure of gazing at the best view of Taal Volcano.

Rooms at Summit Ridge are also lined up on single-loaded, [illegible] corridors that allow passive cooling and cross ventilation, which brings in pleasantly airy ambience into the rooms," she explained.

Guests can choose between its deluxe [illegible] standard room and one-bedroom suite which are all equipped with individually controlled air-conditioning units, LCD cable TVs, personal refrigerators, in-room safes, coffee- and tea-making facilities and free Wi-Fi.

"Our suites come with a living and dining area, it also has a kitchen com-

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THE AUTHOR with Karl Roy

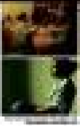
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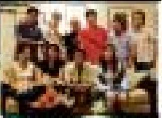
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Rock Ed Philippines Contributor

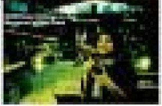
THE MINUTE I found out that Karl died, like most left-behind friends I had to literally sit down, stare at nothing, and do a replay of the years I've known him. Like many in the world of music, most of my memories of Karl would be backstage at some gig, clearing up a storm on whatever topic fancied him that month. Like many who've known him, I saw the progression of the markings on his body, each representative of something in his life and times. "Some tats less profound than others," he said with a smile. For a stretch of time, it seems like Karl had progressively less and less free skin space available for the next tattoo. I'd



Karl in the daytime

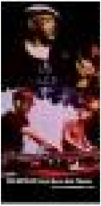








Beats, soul, and all that jazz at Ma

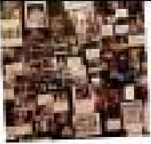






Musicians, friends and fans pay tribute to rock icon Karl Roy





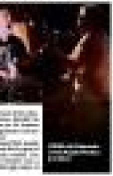








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'Dark Knight' creator hits Manila for book signing and talks

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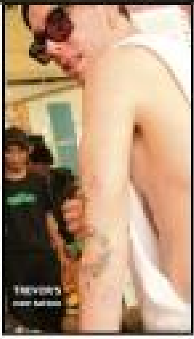
"SPOIL ME!" S&R MEMBERS' TREAT SHOPPING STARTS MARCH 28

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By [illegible]
Contributor

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A miracle on Mount Abu

Thousands visit the Peace Park in Rajasthan, India, to see the spectacular foliage, or to meditate amid the beauty of nature—and perhaps, leave some bad habits behind



Peace Park is a cascade of brilliant colors and luxuriant tropical foliage.

Delicate scent

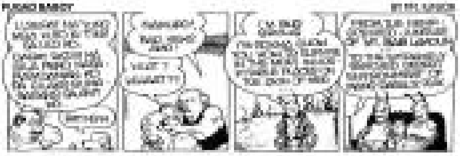
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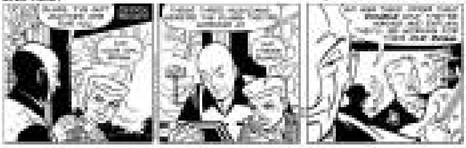
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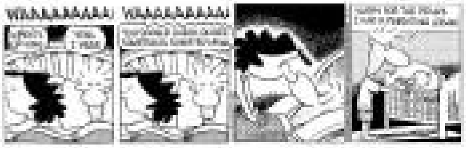


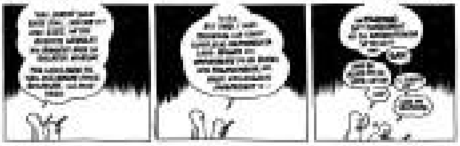
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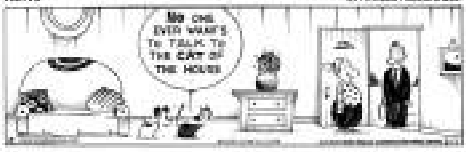
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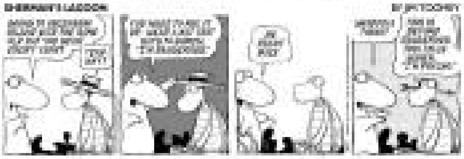




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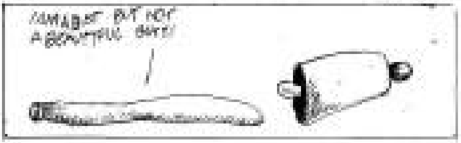


SHERMAN'S LAGOON



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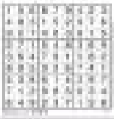
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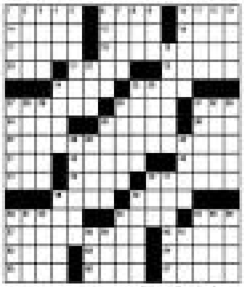
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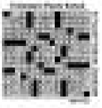
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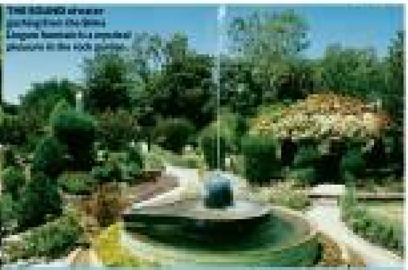


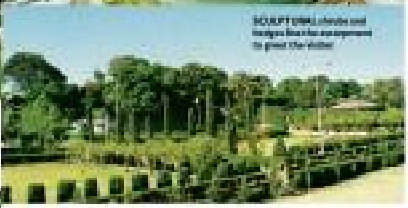
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A miracle on Mount Abu

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Join a photo safari to picturesque Batanes

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Hotel treats for new graduates

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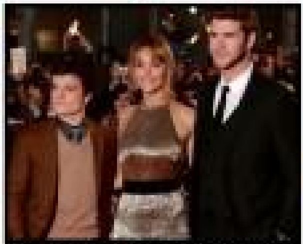








Super LifeStyle



JOSH Hutcherson, Jennifer Lawrence and Liam Hemsworth at "The Hunger Games" premiere in London

Starving for 'The Hunger Games'?

These books will tide you over until the film finally opens



By Pam Pastor

WE ARE. We've been counting the days until the movie finally opens and we have to admit, we're getting antsy. We've reread the entire trilogy, we've explored the website (www.thehungergamesmovie.com), we've registered as citizens of Panem (apparently, I'm a lumberjack from District 7—sorry, I know), we've tried to take the tour of the Capitol (and failed because we use Safari and not Internet Explorer 9), we've had Peeta vs Gale debates, we've obsessed over the IMDB page, we've watched the trailers, the interviews, the YouTube videos—heck, we've even started dreaming about Jennifer Lawrence and Josh Hutcherson.

But the movie is still days away.

We resisted the urge to pull a Katniss and take up archery and did what we usually do in times of real boredom—we hit the bookstores. And we found some real gems—books so good you'll grab them from the cornucopia, books that can tide you over until the opening credits finally roll.

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Starving for 'The Hunger Games'?



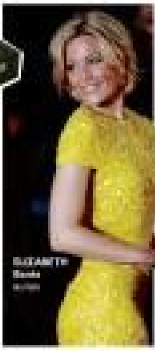
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ELIZABETH Banks



Team Peeta or Team Gale?

We ask Hunger Games fans to weigh in

The smash bands of summer

Super talks to The Cab and Cobra Starship, the two bands on SMASH Project's 'guilty summer pleasure' setlist

By Angela V Ignacio
Contributor







CHILLING behind the scenes: The Cab's Joey Thunder, Dave Briggs, Alex DeLeon, Frank Sidoris, and Alex Marshall

The Cab

No doubt about it, the tweens want them 'Bad'

Cobra Starship

So fun, he ripped his pants

Making it real

Artista Connect is a crowdfunding website developed largely for Filipino artists to get support for big creative projects they can't fund on their own







"You have to pay bills"

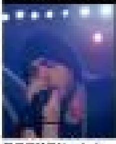
Helping out

Musical monster

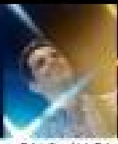
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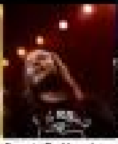












7. The Used's "organized" mosh pits

6. Gabe Saporta gets up close and personal

5. Local bands' seamless set

4. Alex DeLeon's sweet backstage stunt

3. Gabe Saporta's wardrobe malfunction

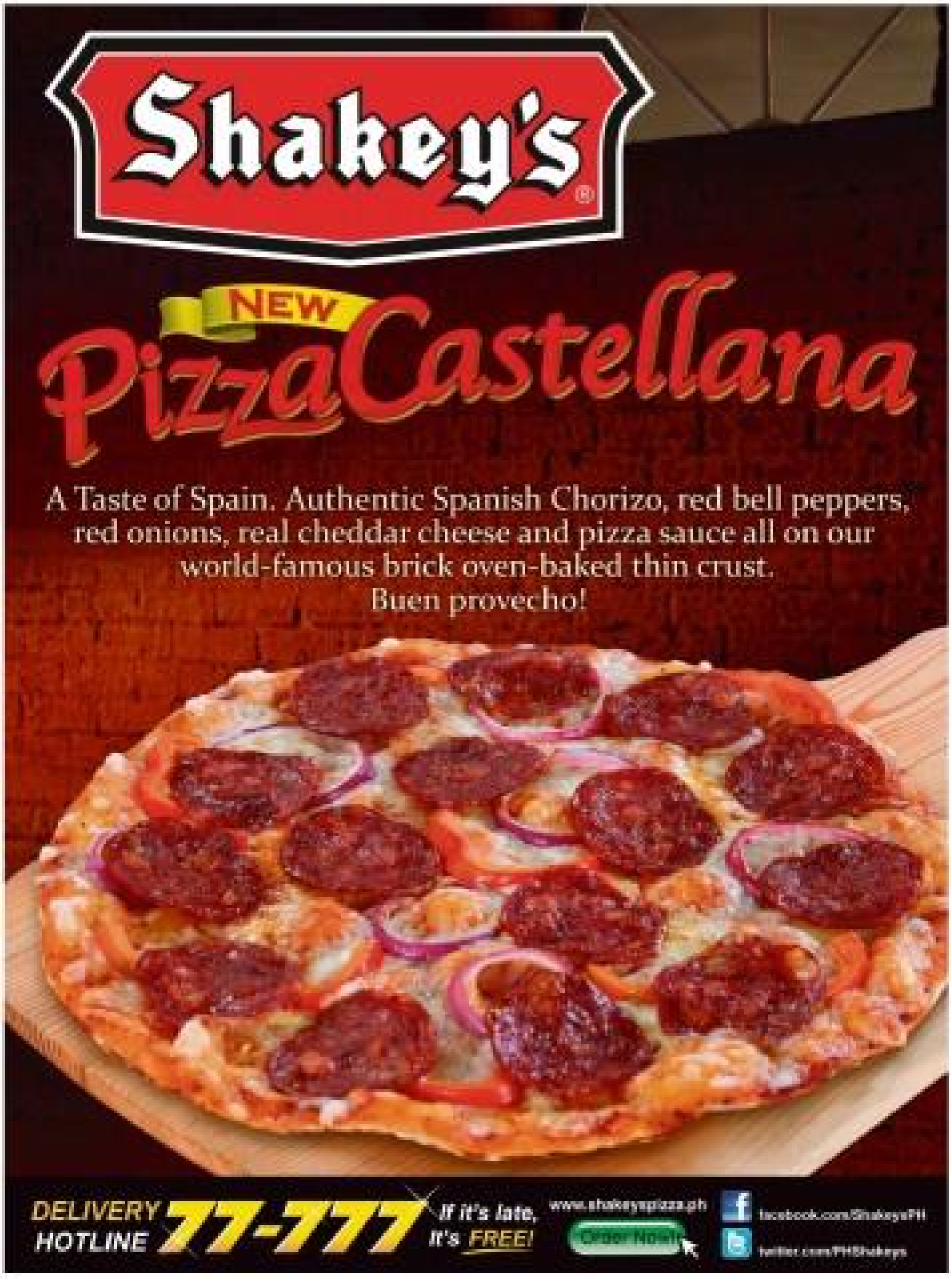
2. Chris Carrabba's acoustic set

1. Chris Carrabba and Bert McCracken's "A Box Full of Sharp Objects" duet

LifeStyle Travel

Caught in the whirl of the grandest festival of the North





A weekly directory of the country's best establishments

Where to Stop Where to Go

Finest foie gras and duck experience at the Fireplace

A taste of Thai cuisine at The Heritage

Oakroom offers all-day all-week dining in March

Back to Basix

Endless discovery of Japanese flavors at Radisson Blu

Pitchers and buckets of fun at Gambrinus Bar

Sofitel raises a toast to the graduates

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Party packages for graduates at City Garden

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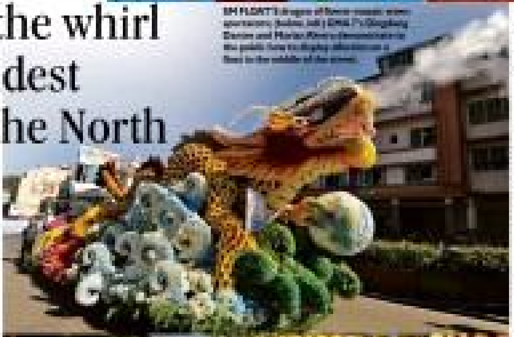


CLEAN UP DRIVE





Caught in the whirl of the grandest festival of the North













Very touristic

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Solidly bedecked

Awed and frenzied

Missing and missed

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NOW SHOWING

Erich, Rhian starrers yield mixed results

By Rito P. Asilo



ABRENICA AND RAMOS.



GONZALES (WITH BAMSAY, RIGHT).

"My Kontrabida Girl"

Welcome home, Junix

By Nestor U. Torre



INOCIAN: Returns to the Philippine stage.



The Skydome

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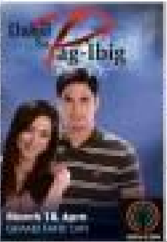


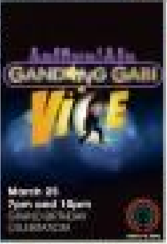






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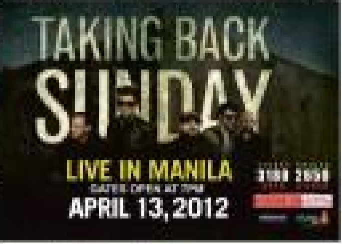



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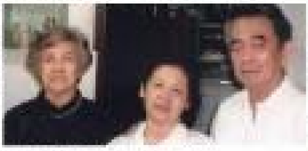

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TAKING BACK SUNDAY
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Happy, heady high school days with Isagani







Staff members

The Del Valleans

Martial law

When movie titles 'sizzled'

Daring unknowns

New ways

Lou Veloso directs 'Martir sa Golgota'

MONTAGE





Summer workshop

Movies on TV

Mabuhay Singers at Pundaquit

Mango Tree

Unforgettable adventure

STREET SMART

Highest peak



Welcome home, Junix

What now, Matteo?



SATURDAY Special

Charlie Green ups the romantic ante



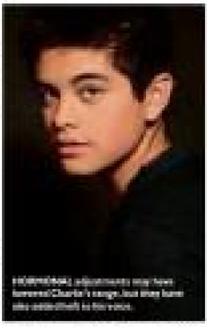
GREEN: Green's up to second solo album.

THE MUSIC biz has a new heartthrob, and he isn't really all that new—or old: Filipino-British singing sensation, Charlie Green, just turned 15 last month, but he's already 5'9" tall—and growing! Fortunately, the "Britain's Got Talent" alumnus doesn't get by on his good looks alone—he also has golden pipes to boost his stellar career, as his second album, "Rainbow," demonstrates.

Charlie Green ups the romantic ante

Themes

Musicality



Prayer of devotion and gratitude

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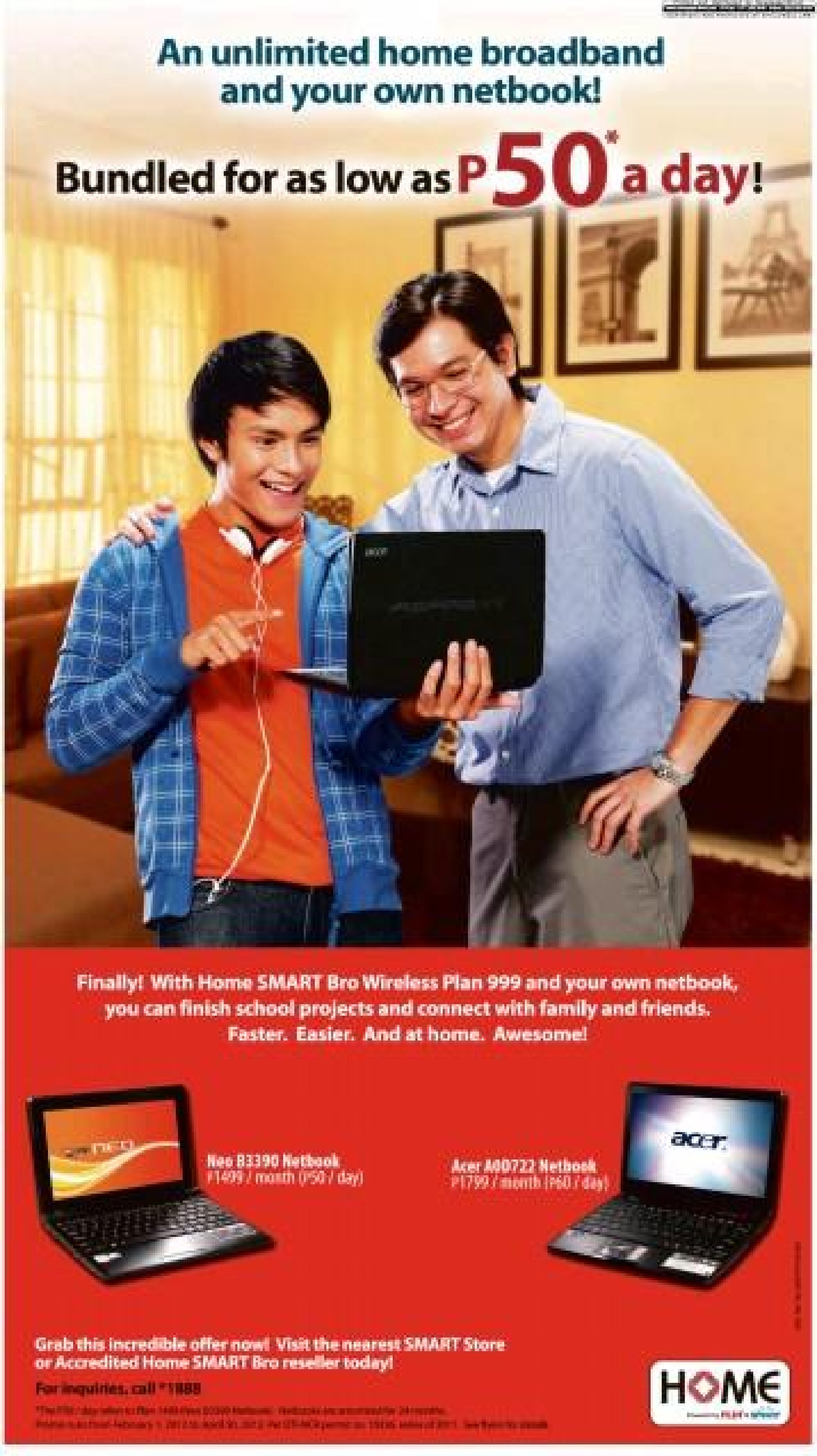


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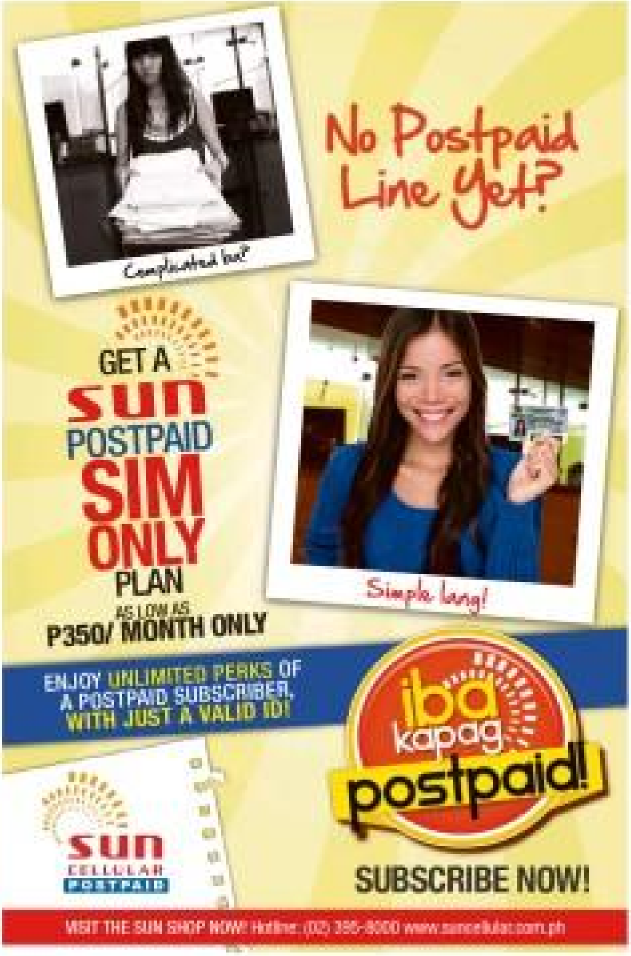
Ruben V. Nepales



SUSAN SARANDON
'I'm still having a good time'







Cinemalaya's record speaks for itself

'Teleserye' updates

By Nestor U. Torre



VALDEZ: Back to his illegal gun...

Ascension

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Discussion



SANDLER: Plays dual role in "Jack & Jill"

Not quite double the pleasure

By Nestor U. Torre

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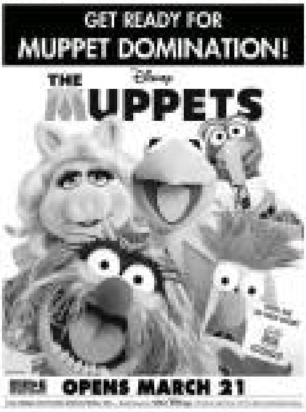
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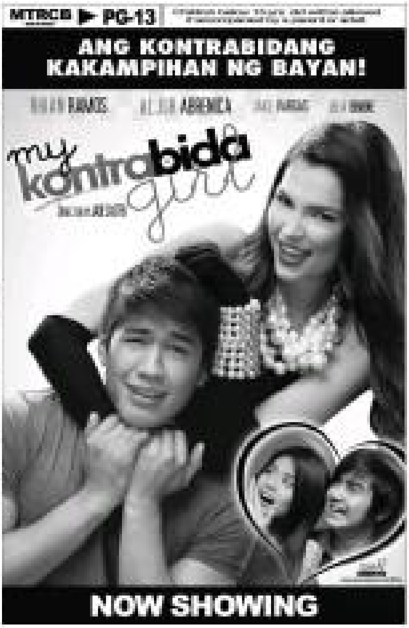
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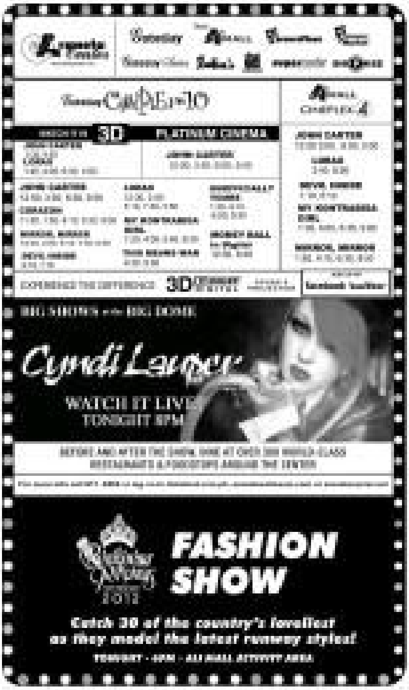








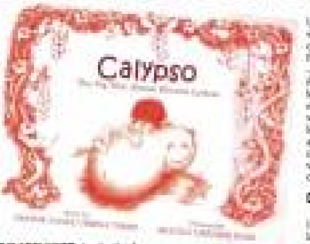






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